IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Continuation-in-Part Application of

KAGAMI et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before beginning examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, just after the title, please insert the following sentence.

--This is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. application no. 09/946,802, filed on September 6, 2001, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

Respectfully submitted,

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